



Deputy Minister's office (E-1)
PO Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

November 10, 2020

Dear Parent/guardians,

RE: Updates on health and safety guidelines this school year

I am writing to provide an update on health and safety in our schools this school year.

The Chief Medical Officer of Health shared on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 that he will be providing updated health and safety guidelines for K-12 school settings. This includes providing more detail and clarity on some aspects of the existing guidelines, including physical distancing in classrooms and expectations around mask use in areas outside of the classroom where physical distancing cannot be maintained.

The health and safety of students, staff and our communities is our first priority. The updated guidelines will be posted on Yukon.ca and shared with school communities once they are available. School administration and the health and safety committees/representatives at each school will be reviewing the updated guidelines and making adjustments to their school operational plan. Updated school operational plans will be reviewed and approved by the school council and the school's superintendent before they are implemented at the school. They will be shared with the school community and posted on their school website.

Thank you for your ongoing patience, kindness and support of students and Department of Education staff, both in schools and central administration building as we make every effort to ensure all Yukon student are successful in their learning while protecting the health and safety of students, staff and our communities.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your school administration directly.

For more information, visit: yukon.ca/en/education-and-school-supports-covid-19.

Sincerely,

Nicole Morgan
Deputy Minister, Education